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ITEMS

The International Congress. There have been recommendations from California that October would be a pleasanter time of the year than June for our Congress. However, this proves to be an inconvenient, even impossible, season for our members to assemble. June, therefore, remains settled, and Dr. Helen Criswell, who is chairman of the California committee on the congress, has been abroad and has talked over the preliminaries with some of our foreign members.

The German Nurses' Association now has branch-headquarters in Bremen, Dresden, Frankfort on the Main, Hamburg, Heidelberg, Leipsig-Leutsch, Stuttgart and Riga.

Frenchwomen to the number of 222,000 have petitioned the French government to restrict the sale of distilled liquors.

The British government has placed three women, one of whom is a physician, on the Royal Commission to inquire into venereal disease.

Sister Agnes Karll has completed the translation of the third volume of the *History of Nursing*.